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DOWN TRAINS.

Stations	No. 8 Through Express a.m.	No. 9 Through Express a.m.	No. 7 Through Express a.m.	No. 10 Local a.m.	No. 11 Through Express p.m.	No. 12 Through Express p.m.	No. 13 Local p.m.	No. 14 Through Express p.m.	No. 15 Local p.m.	No. 16 Through Express p.m.	No. 17 Local p.m.	No. 18 Through Express p.m.
KANTON (at the Dock) dep.	7.45	8.35	11.15	11.45	12.35	1.40	4.10	5.30	6.30	7.10	7.10	8.00
SHANGHAI dep.	8.40	9.30	12.10	12.40	1.50	3.00	5.40	7.00	8.00	8.40	8.40	9.30
Shanghai (at the Dock) dep.	10.35	11.25	1.45	2.15	3.25	4.30	6.10	7.30	8.30	9.10	9.10	10.00
Fanning dep.	—	1.15	4.45	5.15	6.25	7.30	8.50	10.10	11.10	11.50	11.50	12.40
Taipei Market dep.	—	1.25	4.55	5.25	6.35	7.40	9.00	10.20	11.20	12.00	12.00	12.50
Taipei dep.	—	1.35	5.05	5.35	6.45	7.50	9.10	10.30	11.30	12.10	12.10	13.00
Shanghai (at the Dock) dep.	—	1.45	5.15	5.45	6.55	8.00	9.20	10.40	11.40	12.20	12.20	13.10
Yankee dep.	—	1.55	5.25	5.55	7.05	8.10	9.30	10.50	11.50	12.30	12.30	13.20
Hong Kong dep.	—	2.05	5.35	6.05	7.15	8.20	9.40	11.00	12.00	12.40	12.40	13.30
KOWLOON (at the Dock) dep.	—	2.15	5.45	6.15	7.25	8.30	9.50	11.10	12.10	12.50	12.50	13.40

UP TRAINS.

Stations	No. 4 Local a.m.	No. 5 Through Express a.m.	No. 6 Through Express a.m.	No. 10 Local a.m.	No. 11 Through Express p.m.	No. 12 Through Express p.m.	No. 13 Local p.m.	No. 14 Through Express p.m.	No. 15 Local p.m.	No. 16 Through Express p.m.	No. 17 Local p.m.	No. 18 Through Express p.m.
East Ferry dep.	6.55	7.45	8.15	10.15	11.55	1.15	1.35	2.15	2.35	3.15	3.35	4.15
Kowloon (at the Dock) dep.	7.50	8.40	9.10	11.10	12.50	1.20	1.40	2.20	2.40	3.20	3.40	4.20
Shanghai (at the Dock) dep.	8.55	9.45	10.15	12.15	1.35	1.55	2.35	2.55	3.35	3.55	4.35	5.15
Yankee dep.	9.55	10.45	11.15	1.15	1.35	1.55	2.35	2.55	3.35	3.55	4.35	5.15
Taipei Market dep.	10.55	11.45	12.15	1.25	1.45	2.05	2.45	3.05	3.45	4.05	4.45	5.25
Taipei dep.	11.55	12.45	1.15	1.35	1.55	2.15	2.55	3.15	3.55	4.15	4.55	5.35
Shanghai (at the Dock) dep.	12.55	1.45	2.15	2.35	2.55	3.15	3.55	4.15	4.55	5.15	5.35	6.15
Yankee dep.	1.55	2.45	3.15	3.35	3.55	4.15	4.55	5.15	5.35	5.55	6.15	6.55
Hong Kong dep.	2.55	3.45	4.15	4.35	4.55	5.15	5.35	5.55	6.15	6.35	6.55	7.35
Shanghai (at the Dock) dep.	3.55	4.45	5.15	5.35	5.55	6.15	6.35	6.55	7.15	7.35	7.55	8.35
KOWLOON (at the Dock) dep.	4.55	5.45	6.15	6.35	6.55	7.15	7.35	7.55	8.15	8.35	8.55	9.35

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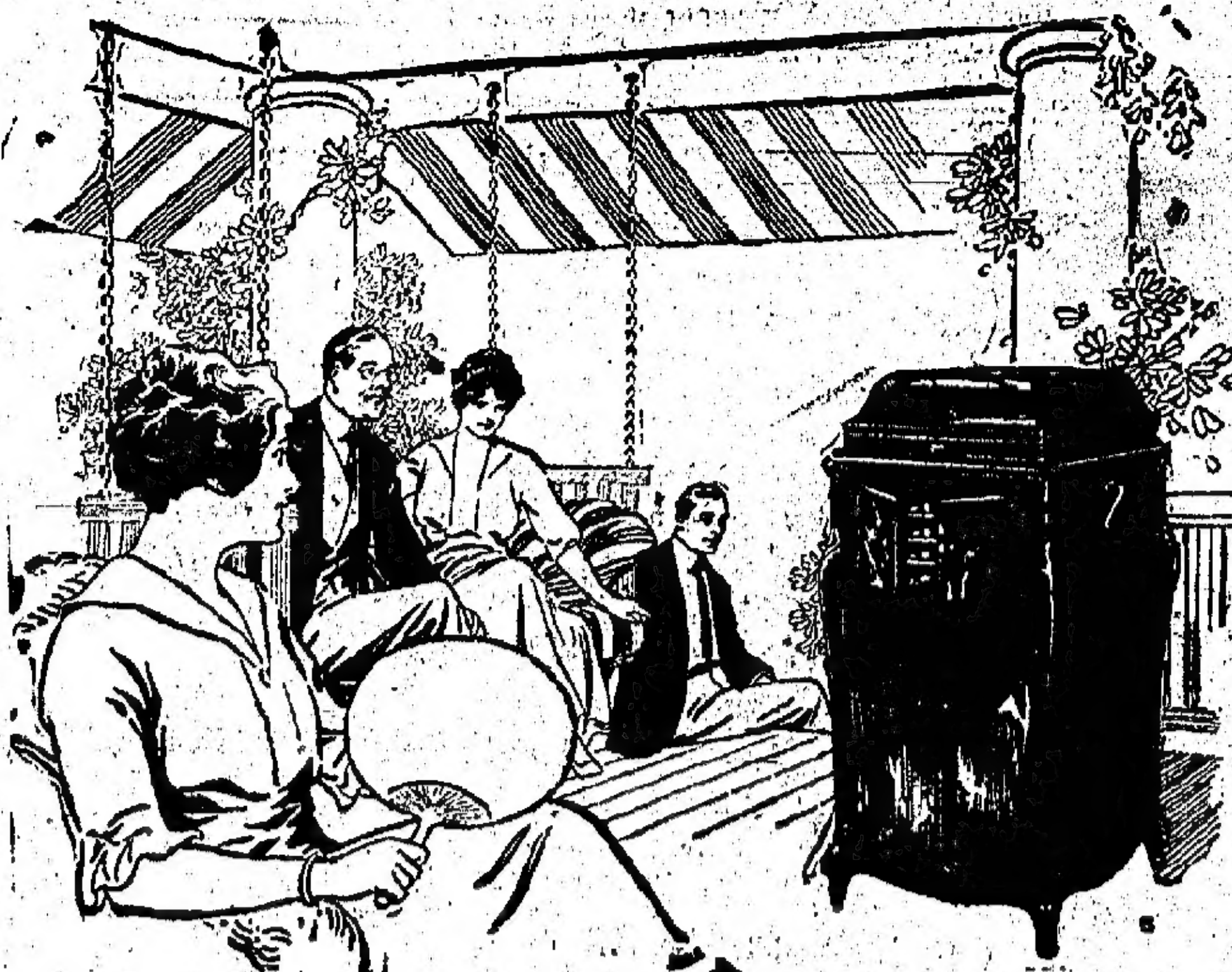
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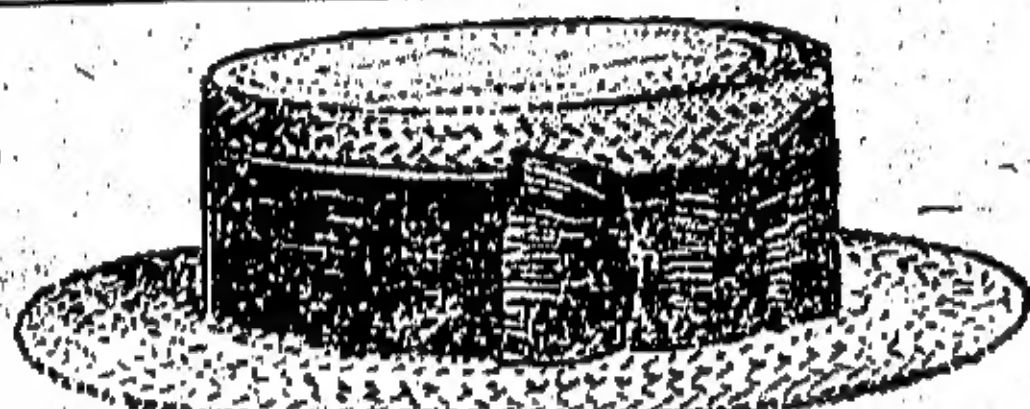
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THE TEA TRADE OF CHINA.

The glory of the China tea trade has long since departed. The days when the famous clippers raced the Chinese product to the London market indeed seem far back, and Minging Lane to-day is only mildly interested in the early arrivals each season of the teas from China. We are reminded of this by a very informative report on the subject by the American Consul at Hankow, Mr. Raymond C. Mackay, who tells us many interesting things concerning the tea trade of China. In view of the commercial development likely to take place in this country in the near future, the topic is of importance both to the Chinese and foreign traders. During the last 25 or 30 years China's export trade in tea has fallen off to a large extent, primarily because of a lack of co-operation among the growers, the employment of antiquated methods in the plant's production, heavy taxation, and, somewhat of late, to disturbed political conditions in the regions where the plant is cultivated. India and Ceylon during the last 30 years have gradually won much of the trade away from China, until to-day they are supplying the bulk of the world's demand, especially for the coarser and darker-coloured teas. This is in spite of the acknowledged fact, states the report, that Chinese teas are superior to all others in their delicacy of flavour, living, a more or less hand-to-mouth existence, the pressing needs of the moment have never permitted the Chinese farmer to pick sparingly, to fertilise and prune properly, and to have nurseries in order that old, worn-out plants might be replaced. The inherent superiority of the Chinese product has enabled the local farmer to continue his cultivation of tea; but had the growers of India and Ceylon been competing to supply the same quality tea, China would long ago have been left hopelessly in the rear. The state of affairs is due entirely to the fact that Ceylonese and Indian growers are working their plantations under highly scientific instruction while the Chinese are not. What the latter need, says Mr. Mackay, is some concerted action on the part of the growers and shippers in order that the output be distributed and sold in a manner advantageous to both buyer and seller. In the past the buyers have fluctuated out of all proportion to any real change in the market, and huge shipments have been made to foreign ports totally unable to consume such quantities. The resulting conditions, chief among which is the absolute inability to control prices, have driven the Chinese trader into the background.

It is satisfactory, however, to know that China is making some effort to regain its position, and the source of the world's supply of tea, and to this end has established an agricultural commission with the betterment of the tea trade as its object. Mr. Mackay gives some particulars as to the plans for improving the industry. The first step in this direction was taken in 1905, when an investigating committee was sent to India and Ceylon in order to study the methods practised by the growers of those regions. As a result of this movement a school was established at Nanking where the latest methods of tea culture were taught. In 1915 Chow Tsz-chi was appointed Minister of Agriculture, and during his short directorship he succeeded in giving the agricultural industries of the country a tremendous impetus. His plans for improving the tea industry consisted of the establishment of experiment stations, the subsidising of certain tea plantations, and a reduction in the export duty on the product. In connection with the first of the above plans a station was established in the famous Keemun district in the Province of Anhui, where the growing of the tea plant under scientific methods is now being demonstrated to the planters of that region. It is proposed that the station in the same district be rapidly established under the leadership of Chinese who have demonstrated their knowledge of modern methods of tea culture. As soon as the growers of this particular region have been made thoroughly acquainted with the new work the stations will be transferred to other tea-growing districts, where the process will be repeated. It is also planned to subsidise certain planters who have demonstrated knowledge of the growing under the methods prescribed by the Department of Agriculture in order that they may be given substantial encouragement toward carrying the work forward. Lastly, a 20 per cent. reduction in the export duty on tea was put into effect during 1915. While this step materially aided the growers, the Chinese Government, states the report, will have to take further action along this same line in order that Chinese tea may be able to compete with Indian tea, for in India there is no tax on either the production or the exportation of tea. The Chinese grower is under the further burden of having to pay a series of transit taxes which are levied on the article from the place of production to the place of shipment. These taxes often amount to more than the original export tax. It is thus evident under what great disadvantages the Chinese producer works as compared with his Indian neighbour. When these plans, which are excellent in conception, although not entirely comprehensive, have been put into effect, together with the improvements which naturally follow the working out of any new order, China will, in Mr. Mackay's opinion, at last be on the road toward regaining its position as the main source of supply for the tea trade of the world. —London and China Express.

EXPORT OF JAPANESE MATCHES.

The Osaka Mainichi says manufacturers of matches in Osaka, Kobe and other districts are now busy filling orders from Great Britain, France, Russia and other countries. Before the war, Japanese matches abroad were overshadowed by Swedish matches, but upon the opening of hostilities the supply of Swedish matches was considerably lessened. The result was the shipment of Japanese matches to Australia, the United States, and various European countries.

CANTON NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG KOO SAN PO."]

November 2nd.

THE TUCHUN. General Luk Wing-tung has announced his approval of the appointment of Ching Tse-kwong as Tuchun.

The naval officers of the 1st squadron and leaders of Yunnan troops have sent a similar intimation.

The Civil Governor, Li Yew-hon, is of opinion that the new Tuchun should be appointed by the Provincial Assembly.

The Generalissimo, Sun Yat-sen, has declared at a meeting of his supporters that the Provisional Government only opposes the Peking Government and will not concern itself with other matters. The new Tuchun should be appointed by General Luk Wing-tung, who is the superior of the two Kwangs.

The Canton leaders have recently sent a cable to General Luk Wing-tung stating that disputes will be easily settled if the Tuchun, Chan Ping-kwan, has resigned, and requesting Luk to transfer Chan-luk and Lung.

It is stated that General Luk has also requested General Lung Chi-kwong to go to Wuchow, as Luk has been informed that Lung supports him.

The Director of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, Chinese Section, has requested the Tuchun to send soldiers to replace those who have been transferred elsewhere.

The Tuchun yesterday gave satisfactory undertakings to the Consul that foreigners in the Province would be protected.

CANTON, November 5th.

THE TUCHUN. The Tuchun, Chan Ping-kwan, acting in accordance with General Luk Wing-tung's order, has announced to various official departments that he will not hand his position over to anybody. He added that he will not obey any order from Peking, and he himself with the Civil Governor, Li Yew-hon, will settle any affairs in the Province.

All the naval officers have addressed a letter to Admiral Ching Pih-kwong requesting him to accept the appointment of Tuchun.

A message from Swatow states that an attempt was made to assassinate General Mok King-yu the other day. The assassins fired at him with revolvers, and although he was saved by his guards two shots entered his arm. It is said that one of the assassins has been arrested, but the rest escaped.

TRADE OF HONGKONG.

The following statistics have been taken from the fortnightly price current and market report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce:

OPPIUM. The stocks on November 1st were 200 chests of Patna, 103 chests of Benares, 1354 of Malwa and five of Persian and Turkish. There were no imports or exports during the interval from October 1916. In uncertified Benares opium, the balance of stocks on November 1st was 98 chests of Patna and 107 of Benares. During the preceding fortnight seven chests of Patna and 29 chests of Benares were boiled by the Government opium monopoly.

EXPORTS.

There is no change in feathers. Quotations for ginger are considerably lower and there is very little demand. There are no business in Galangal. The market for Cassia oil is firm, but there is small business doing. The market in Star Aniseed oil is easier and the demand is slow. There is nothing doing in gall nuts.

IMPORTS.

In the Cotton Yarn market Exchange continues to be the governing factor. During the interval under review a strong rise in Exchange checked business, which was resumed on November 1st when the rupee exchange rate gave way. Prices have receded about \$10. Clearances continue fairly satisfactory. Quotations are nominally: No. 10 \$155-\$165, No. 12s at \$145-\$157, No. 16s at \$150-\$160, No. 20s at \$150-\$210. Arrivals nil. Sales 750 bales. Shipments 250 bales. Unsold stock 9,000 bales. Bargains 17,000 bales. Clearances of Wool-gains have been more active, and the market has taken on a better tone. In Raw Cottons business has been very limited and quotations are \$44-\$47 for Indian and \$45-\$53 for China staple. Very little improvement is to be reported in the Metal market. Steel plates are required for at about \$28 to \$27 a picul. Nails have shown a slight improvement, but there is no enquiry to date. There is no change in Petroleum prices. No quotations are given for Coal. The Sugar market has advanced in consequence of demand from the North.

As to flour the stock is about 240,000 sacks. Quotations: American patent \$5 per sack; American cut-off \$3.50 per sack; Japanese 2nd patent \$3.10 per sack; Japanese 3rd patent \$3.05 per sack; Japanese straight \$3.10 per sack; Shanghai flour \$3.10 per sack; Australian flour \$3.30 per sack.

FAR EASTERN MEN AND THE WAR.

Captain E. B. Kiddle, R.N., who commanded the *Minotaur* when that vessel was on the China Station, has had the Order of the Rising Sun, 3rd class, conferred on him by H.M. the Emperor of Japan for war services. The late Lieut. Colonel Robert Sandilands, formerly of the C.M.G., Commandant, Prisoners of War, Camp Alexandra Palace, formerly British Resident at Selangor and Perak and Commandant of the Malay States Guides, left property of the gross value of \$13,709. Lieut. Colonel R. H. J. Meister, Royal Marine Light Infantry, who has just been promoted to that rank, has seen much service on the China Station. He was landed at Chefoo from January to March, 1895; was at Seoul from October, 1895, to January, 1896, and again from February to March of the same year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AUCTION BRIDGE.
[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir.—Replying to Mr. R. E. Lindell's letter, published in your issue of yesterday, I am afraid my previous letter under the above heading was wrongly worded and that, instead of "rules" published this year by the Portland Club, it should have read "Portland Club rules published this year."

The Canton Club three or four months ago purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Hongkong, a book of "Rules of Auction Bridge as approved and adopted by the Portland Club." This book, which was quite a small one and bound in a red cover, was dated 1917, and, I believe, was published by Messrs. De la Rue, London, but that is all I can say about it at the moment, as unfortunately, the copy we had was lost two or three weeks ago, and I understand there are no further copies in stock in Hongkong.

Perhaps Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, or one of your readers (either in Hongkong or in an "antiquated outpost") who purchased a copy from them and still has same could throw some light on the matter.—Yours faithfully,

C. A. PEEL.

Canton, 2nd November, 1917.

HONGKONG MAGISTRACY.

A SHORT AND COSTLY SPELL OF LIBERTY.

A Chinese prisoner, who escaped from Police custody on the 27th ultimo, after having been sentenced to three months' hard labour for stealing brass from the Green Island Cement Works at Hok On, was recaptured on Friday in his old haunts at Hunghom, and sentenced to serve an additional three months with hard labour.

A CLAN FIGHT.

Two Chinese, with their heads swathed in bandages, were charged with assaulting three other Chinese at East Point on Friday.

Inspector Sim stated, that all the men were employed of the China Sugar Refinery. There had been some trouble at the Works between the Chinese and Puntl labourers on the 23rd ultimo, as a result of which the Chinese foreman was dismissed. His clansmen therefore set upon the Puntl labourers in Great George Street, East Point, and one of the Puntl men had to be sent to hospital after the fight.

Mr. Marling, who appeared for the defence, stated that when his clients went to the Police Station to prefer a charge against the complainants they were, to their great surprise, detained. Mr. J. B. Wood adjourned the case to Tuesday, fixing bail at \$200 each.

THE INTERNED ENEMY SHIPS.

DEFINITE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN CHINA AND THE ALLIES.

The Peking Correspondent of the *N.Y.C. Daily News* says that after prolonged discussion the Chinese Government has consented to meet the Allies in the matter of the confiscated ships. It is agreed that nine sea-going vessels, aggregating 29,984 tons gross, should be chartered to the British Government at the standing rates of the Inter-Allied Chartering Executive for the services of Allied interests. These rates vary from 40/- per ton for larger-sized vessels and 50/- for the smaller.

The vessels affected are the *Albenga*, *Deke*, *Richmond*, *Bohemia*, *Salaria*, *China*, *Illewa*, *Triumph* and *Setta*. Two of the vessels are now under repair at Nagasaki and two at Hongkong, and it is expected that within two months the vessels will be ready for commissioning. Of the remaining five, three are river boats, one is old and one has been specially excepted from the arrangement.

WEIHAIWEI.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT FOR 1916.

According to Sir J. H. Stewart Lockhart's report, the revenue collected in Wei-haiwei during 1916 is the largest on record. It amounted to \$126,608, as compared with \$115,862 during the previous year, an increase of \$11,247. The expenditure during the year was \$139,520, as compared with \$156,697 during the previous year, a decrease of \$17,308. There was no grant-in-aid from Imperial funds, savings from the previous financial year, together with the increase in revenue made it possible to dispense with a grant for the first time since 1898, with this Territory was leased from China. While no public works of importance were carried out during the year, the erection of a pier at Wu K'ou, the centre of the Chinese business quarter, has been approved. Its cost, which has been estimated at \$40,000, will be defrayed by an extra levy of 50 per cent. on shipping dues, to which the mercantile community readily consented.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

BAZAAR AND ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual bazaar and entertainment organised by the Ministering Children's League, which were held at Government House on Saturday, proved very successful. There was a large attendance. A brisk business was done at the various stalls which were erected in the grounds, and the Ball-room was so packed for the children's entertainment that many could not find seating accommodation.

H.E. the Governor, accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain Edwards, arrived at 3 o'clock and the Cadet Corps attached to the Hongkong Defence Corps, under the command of Second-Lieut. Beard, formed a guard-of-honour. The Kowloon Girl Guides, in charge of Miss Day, rendered general assistance during the afternoon and, generally speaking, there was no lack of helpers. No one could say that opportunities for purchasing were not provided for them. In addition to the entertainment by the English girls, of which a notice was given in Saturday's issue of the *Daily Press*, a Chinese play written by Miss Woo, the Principal of St. Paul's Girls' School, was produced under the direction of the authoress. The stall-holders were as follows:—

GENERAL STALL:—Miss Phoebe May and Miss Iris May.
PEAK STALL:—Mrs. Ritchie and assistants.
POLICE STALL:—Mrs. Messer and Mrs. Pierpoint.
MILITARY STALL:—Mrs. Robertson, Miss Ventris, Mrs. Thurbay Pelham, Mrs. Neville, Mrs. Raworth and Miss Robertson.
THE "TAMAR" AND ROYAL DOCKYARD STALL:—Mrs. Morgan and assistants.
TEA STALL:—Mrs. Stedman and assistants.
VICTORIA STALL:—Mrs. Piercy and assistants.
DIOCESAN SCHOOL STALL:—Miss Poon Wye.
ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL STALL:—Miss Lee Wan.

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' SCHOOL STALL:—Miss Griffin and assistants.

BELLIOUS SCHOOL STALL:—The Head Mistress and pupils.

QUARRY BAY STALL:—Mrs. Templeton.

THE KOWLOON STALL:—Mrs. Aitken, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. White, Miss Martin, Miss Stone and Miss Gill, Mrs. Pope, Miss Hickie.

THE LUCKY WELLS:—Miss Piercy.

CHRISTMAS TREE:—Miss Franklin and assistants.

GOLDFISH STALL:—Miss Wilkinson, Miss Robertson, and Lt. King and 2nd Lt. Amies.

RAFFLE for a petticoat and carnation:—Mrs. J. Hooper.

FAN OI STALL:—Pupils of the C.M.S. Girls' High School.

The amount received up to date, is as follows, but several stalls still have more money to send in and a complete list will be published later:—
Bellio's School stall \$1,050.00
Diocesan School stall 127.15
Entertainment 274.80
Programmes 58.65
Fan OI stall 1,901.60
Gate money 157.50
Captain Hall 30.00
Kitten raffled by Miss Bander 61.00
Kitten 30.00
Kowloon stall 990.85
Lucky Well 22.10
Military stall 350.55
Gold fish 54.25
Naval and Dockyard stall 737.60
Gate money 9.28
Police stall 123.80
Peak stall 975.95
Quarry Bay stall 755.00
St. Paul's School stall and Chinese Entertainment 400.50
St. Stephen's Girls' College stall 583.43
Sweet stall 102.75
Tea stall 255.35
Victoria stall 1,390.75
Xmas tree 55.05

Total \$11,360.15

CONCERT AT TAIKOO RECREATION GROUND.

Taikoo Recreation ground was filled with an enthusiastic crowd on Saturday night, when a Promenade Concert was given in aid of the 25th Batt. Middlesex Recreation Fund. There was seating accommodation for several hundreds, but so many more were standing behind. The stage was brightly illuminated and tastefully decorated, and all the items on the programme were greeted with loud applause. The band was particularly good and much appreciated. The Misses Gordon, Mrs. W. J. Hill, and Private Crane were the stars of a talented company. Refreshments were served during the evening. The programme was as follows:—

March, "National Emblem," Band; Selection, "Half-past eight," Band; Recitation, (1) "My first recital," (2) "Old scissors," Private Newman; Cornet Solo, "A Perfect Day," Song, Miss Gordon; Overture, "William Tell," Band; Song, Mrs. W. J. Hill; A Magical Interlude, Private Morlee; Intermezzo, "Secrets," Band; Selection, "Push and Go," Band; Private Crane and a Piano Violin Selection, "Serenade," Miss M. Gordon; Valse, "Septembre," Band; Selection, "Mr. Manhattan," Band; Song, (1) "Where my Caravan hath rested," (2) "Absent," Pte. C. Pearson (accompanist, Pte. H. Norris); March, "Colonel Bogey," Band; Selection, "Bound to Win," Band.

SPORT.

HONGKONG v. R.G.A.

Hongkong again won in convincing style on their own ground against the R.G.A. on Saturday. T. E. Pearce had top-score with 65 which included one six and nine fours. The R.G.A. could only put up 44 against the Club bowlers, and of these G. Perkins was responsible for 16. Scores:—

HONGKONG.			
T. E. Pearce, c Drummond, b	65		
Athorne, c	3		
Cap. E. H. Gray, b Athorne	27		
L. E. Hall, b Athorne	2		
L. Col. Morgan, c and b Baker	16		
M. M. Mans, b Boocock	16		
R. Kennedy, b Boocock	9		
F. E. Joseland, not out	0		
D. E. Donnelly, not out	4		
Extras	5		

Total (for 7 wickets) ... 155
F. Sutton and F. Jacks did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Athorne	15	1	72
Boocock	12	0	61
Baker	3	0	17

R.G.A.			
G. Perkins, c Pearce, b Donnelly	16		
Bdr. Drummond, c Mans, b Gray	16		
Gr. Mans, run out	1		
Gr. Baines, c Murray, b Donnelly	1		
Gr. Sherman, c Joseland, b	1		
Donnelly	5		
Bdr. Athorne, not out	7		
Lt. Wilkinson, b Donnelly	0		
Gr. Boocock, c Joseland, b Gray	1		
Q.M.S. Ross, l.b.w., b Morgan	0		
Lieut. Baker, c Mans, b Morgan	1		
Extras	4		

Total (for 7 wickets) ... 44			
Bowling Analysis.			
Donnelly	11	2	25
Pearce	3	0	10
Gray	6	1	2
Morgan	1	0	3

CIVIL SERVICE v. UNIVERSITY.

This match was played on the Civil Service ground and ended in a draw. The University won the toss and elected to field. The Civil Service compiled 157, towards which W. Dixon contributed a masterly 56, which included some very fine cutting and some hard off-drives along the ground. Apart from his exhibition scoring was slow. The University team seemed to have made up their minds from the start to be content with a draw, and Penonally-Fine successfully stonewalled through the innings, coming out top-scorer with 27, compiled in an hour and a half. Hamilton bowled very well, and with a little luck might have changed the result. Scores:—

CIVIL SERVICE.			
D. M. Goodall, b Sany	15		
W. Dixon, b Redmond	56		
B. W. Bradbury, l.b.w., b Sany	30		
R. C. Wicheh, c Fane, b Hamilton	9		
E. W. Hamilton, c Fane, b Hall	23		
R. E. O. Bird, run out	1		
P. T. Lambie, not out	1		
Extras	6		

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 157
J. C. Fletcher, c Severn, W. H. Edmonds, and F. J. Ling did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Hall	13	1	36
Sany	7	1	27
Hamilton	10	1	32
Redmond	0	0	34
Thivy	4	0	22

UNIVERSITY.

R. Penonally-Fine, not out ... 27
F. A. Redmond, b Ling ... 22
A. H. Ramdhan, c Dixon ... 15
Fletcher ... 5
J. D. Wright, c Bird, b Hamilton ... 15
Cheah Toon Lok, b Hamilton ... 4
W. Gittens, b Hamilton ... 0
D. K. Sany, not out ... 6
Extras ... 7

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 86
G. Hall, l.b.w., b Thivy, F. M. Jack, and R. A. Bardo did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Hamilton	11	2	27
Wicheh	4	1	16
Ling	7	2	30
Fletcher	5	0	12
Bird	3	2	3
Severn	2	2	0

CRAIGENGOWER v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

This match was played on the Craigen-gower ground and was remarkable for low scoring on both sides. The Service men went in first, but were all dismissed for 37. Grimmett having the fine analysis of 8 wickets for 19 runs. (The home team, however, found the visitors' bowling difficult to play and only succeeded in compiling 62. Scores:—

ROYAL ENGINEERS.			
Sgt. MacGregor, c T. Thompson, b	11		
Lt. Cpl. Adams, b Grimmett	1		
White, b Grimmett	0		
Gordon, c Grimmett, b Graham	0		
Reakes, b Grimmett	0		
Lucas, b Grimmett	12		
Waller, c and b Grimmett	0		
Crippwell, l.b.w., b Graham	4		
Willard, c and b Grimmett	0		
Pascall, not out	3		
Todd, c Edwards, b Grimmett	0		
Extras	4		

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 37
Bowling Analysis.

CRAIGENGOWER.			
W. Edwards, run out	0		
F. Thompson, b White	0		
A. Khoras, l.b.w., b Crippwell	3		
Lt. Bass, l.b.w., b Crippwell	11		
A. Grimmett, b White	0		
W. Graham, b White	14		
Lt. Rose, st, b Reakes	19		
W. Pitt, not out	6		
J. D. Norris, c MacGregor, b Reakes	0		
Extras	2		

Total ... 62
Bowling Analysis.

CRAIGENGOWER.			
White	9	1	25
Crippwell	3	0	17
Reakes	6	3	21

MIDDLESEX v. KOWLOON.

Played on the Navy ground at Happy Valley and ended in an easy victory for the visitors. The wicket was in a bad state and the ball was "bumping" dangerously. The Middlesex won the toss, but put in the visitors, who made 145. The home-team could do nothing with the Kowloon bowlers, and "Mr. Extras" with 9 runs, was their top-scorer. Cobb and Pestonji each obtained 6 wickets for 5 runs. At one stage of the game Cobb's analysis read—5 overs, 9 maidens, 0 runs, 4 wickets. Scores:—

KOWLOON.			
F. Wheeler, c Smith, b Cooper	21		
A. A. Claxton, c Butterworth, b	19		
Purnell	9		
J. Stalker, b Butterworth	18		
L. E. S. Hodge, b Cooper	24		
W. T. Elson, c Cooper, b Fawthrop	29		
J. P. Robinson, not out	19		
P. H. Cobb, b Fawthrop	19		
D. J. MacKenzie, b Cooper	0		
C. J. Stapleton, c Woodward, b	7		
Cooper	3		
A. de Sousa, c Glead, b Woodward	1		
R. Pestonji, b Cooper	1		
Extras	7		

Total ... 145
Bowling Analysis.

MIDDLESEX.			
Woodward	7	0	29
Purnell	9	0	38
Butterworth	2	0	18
Cooper	11	4	30
Fawthrop	4	0	23

MIDDLESEX.			
Pte. Thompson, b Cobb	1		
Pte. Glead, b Cobb	0		
Pte. Smith, b Pestonji	0		
Lt. Dickinson, b Cobb	0		
Lt. Col. Tabbott, c Robinson, b	4		
Cobb	0		
Lt. Cooper, c Robinson, b Pestonji	0		
Cap. Palfield, b Pestonji	4		
Lt. Col. Butterworth, l.b.w., b	1		
Pestonji	3		
Corp. Fawthrop, l.b.w., b Cobb	1		
Pte. Woodward, not out	2		
Pte. Purnell, b Pestonji	1		
Extras	5		

Total ... 25
Bowling Analysis.

LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Hongkong	4	4	0	0	12
Kowloon	4	3	0	1	10
Civil Service	4	1	0	3	6
C. R. C.	2	1	0	1	6
University	3	1	1	1	4
Middlesex	3	1	2	0	3
Craigengower	2	1	1	0	3
R. E.	4	0	4	0	0
R. G. A.	3	0	3	0	0
Navy	1	0	1	0	0

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

C.R.C. v. 88th CO. R.G.A.

This match was played on the Chinese Recreation Club's ground on Saturday afternoon and ended in a draw. C.R.C. who batted first, during which Sze Kwong played an almost faultless innings, declared at four o'clock, and the visitors, who gave quite a good account of themselves despite the absence of some of their regular players who were engaged elsewhere, stonewalled and secured a draw, as stated. Scores:—

C.R.C.			
Yew Man Tsun, c and b Middleton	0		
Ng Sze Yuen, b Dix	37		
G. Lee, c Veni, b Middleton	0		
Ng Sze Kwong, c J. Lord, b Moors	99		
Chow Yee Kwong, b Dix	0		
Ho Wing Kin, b Dix	9		
H. Ching, run out	4		
Wong Po Keung, b J. Lord	17		
Un Hui Fan, not out	0		
Wei Lee Sun, c and b J. Lord	0		
Extras	2		

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 165
Wong Kwok Kwong did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Middleton	9	1	30
J. Lord	5	1	42
Sharp	8	1	31
Dix	11	1	47
Moors	1	0	7

88th CO. R.G.A.

R. Lord, b Ho Wing Kin ... 4
Middleton, c Yew Man Tsun, b
Ho Wing Kin ... 15
Dix, l.b.w., b Un Hui Fan ... 18
Sharp, c Lee, b Yew Man Tsun ... 4
Page, not out ... 28
Vee, b Yew Man Tsun ... 9
J. Lord, not out ... 15
Extras ... 6

Total (for 6 wickets) ... 99
Glead, Townsend, and Scarsboro did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Ho Wing Kin	9	1	30
Yew Man Tsun	10	3	30
Chow Yee Kwong	7	3	11
Ng Sze Kwong	6	1	22
H. Ching	2	0	11

KOWLOON "B" v. A MILITARY TEAM.

This match, played at King's Park, Kowloon, resulted in a narrow win by 3 runs for the Military team. Scores:—

MILITARY.			
Major Robertson, b Schulz	66		
Cpl. Jewsbury, b Schulz	3		
Cpl. Charrier, l.b.w., b Schulz	0		
Ellery, b Schulz	0		
Lt. McConnell, c Edward, b	1		
Schulz	9		
Condr. Davidson, c Mead, b Schulz	10		
Connor, b Birnie	23		
Lt. Dunbar, b F. Meade	7		
Abdulla Aziz, b Birnie	0		
Lt. Dobson, run out	4		
Sgt. Rivers, not out	2		
Extras	2		

Total ... 137
Bowling Analysis.

KOWLOON.			
Connor	10	0	58
Abdulla Aziz	4	0	14
McConnell	4	0	18
Ellery	7	0	43

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

H.K. DEFENCE CORPS v. NAVY.

This match took place on Saturday on the Club Ground, and was one of the brightest games seen at Happy Valley for several seasons. The Navy got into their stride very quickly, and, from a centre from Hutchinson on the right wing, Cornish was able to try a shot. Before play had been in progress many minutes, Stalker, on the left wing, was given possession of the ball. He got away well, and with the aid of MacFarlane managed to pass the ball to Gerrard, who was favourably placed, and opened the scoring for the Defence Corps. Hardly had the sailors recovered from this set-back before Stalker was again prominent, and, putting a beautiful pass across the front of the goal, enabled Wood to score a beauty which gave the goalkeeper no possible chance. This was rather staggering to the Navy, as they had had quite as much of the game as their opponents, and they did all in their power to reduce the lead. First Llewellyn and then Byrne tried shots, but without success, and then, forcing a corner, the Navy opened their account with a shot from Cupe. The Club were away again almost at once, and Chasels added their third goal from a centre by Stalker. The Navy then attacked again and Burns put in a good shot from a pass by Hutchinson. The Corps scored a goal which was disallowed just before the whistle blew for half-time, the civilians then leading by 3 goals to one.

On resuming, the sailors went away with plenty of dash, and "hands" near as al gave them an opening which, however, was not turned to account. Shortly after this a penalty was awarded the Navy. Some of the players seemed inclined to dispute this decision. The ball was certainly handled, or at least "elbowed," although, of course, it was almost impossible for a spectator to see if the infringement occurred in the penalty area. Llewellyn took the kick and made no mistake, bringing the scores to 3-2. This put new life into the Navy, and for the remainder of the game almost all the play was around the Corps goal. R-door played splendidly in goal, and a lot of the credit of the victory of the H.K.D.C. is due to him. Had the goalkeepers been changed, the result would have been quite different. Shots were rained at R-door from all directions, but he was equal to the test. Byrne on one occasion had an excellent chance to equalise, but missed, and the goal was cleared. Chasels tried a hard drive at the other end which went just over the bar, and Cornish put in a fine shot which R-door just stopped as it was going into the top corner of his goal. Shortly afterwards he pulled another from almost under the bar, and stopped a stinging one from the right wing. The Corps then broke away, and Stalker, who was not very well looked after during the afternoon, made victory certain for his side by a brilliant individual effort. The result of the game was not a fair criterion of the play, although the Club deserve much credit for so smartly snuffing up all their opportunities. Result:—H.K.D.C., 4; Navy, 2. Navy:—Pallen; Conker and Black; Rundle, Cornish and Biggs; Hutchinson, Llewellyn, Byrne, Burns and Cupe. H.K.D.C.:—Rodger; Cave and Mc-Cubbin; Bailton, Stewart and Ralston; Wood, Chasels, Gerrard, MacFarlane and Stalker. Referee:—Mr. F. W. Wright.

HONGKONG LEAGUE, DIVISION II.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE v. 88th CO. R.G.A.

A fast game resulted from the meeting of these teams on the Navy Ground. After a threatening move by St. Joseph's, Watson opened the scoring for the soldiers netting from a shot from Jones, which hit the cross-bar and rebounded into play. Shortly afterwards "hands" against the R.G.A. in the penalty area enabled the civilians to equalise. Early in the second half the soldiers again obtained the lead, scoring from the left wing. Jones added a third point. The 88th Company were awarded a penalty for tripping, but Dickenson, who took the kick, was unable to get the ball past the goalkeeper. The game ended in a win for the 88th Company by 3 goals to one. Referee, Mr. F. W. Black.

KOWLOON v. MIDDLESEX RES.

This was a scrappy game played on the Club Ground. The soldiers had a very weak team out. At half-time the score was 2-1 in favour of Kowloon, and early in the second half, the civilians added a third point, Morden being responsible for all three. Rickard and Streeton, however, each managed to score a goal for the Middlesex in this half, the game ending in a draw of three goals each. Referee, Sergt. Frost.

Bowling Analysis.			
Schulz	13	2	67
Shroff	5	0	29
H. S. House	4	0	16
F. Meade	5	0	19
Birnie	4	1	4

KOWLOON.

R. E. Lindell, c Connor, b Mc-Connell ... 50
H. S. House, c Abdul, b Connor ... 0
F. Meade, c Aziz, b Connor ... 0
A. E. Seale, c Jackson, b Ellery, b ... 18
J. H. Mead, b Ellery ... 0
E. J. Edwards, c Ellery, b ... 7
Connor ... 2
S. E. Green, c Robertson, b ... 0
Ellery ... 0
A. Birnie, b Connor ... 3
Dr. Forsyth, not out ... 31
L. F. Shroff, b Connor ... 6
D. G. Nicol, b Connor ... 6
Extras ... 5

Total ... 124
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GOLF.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

THIRD AND FOURTH ROUNDS.

The third round and semi-final of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Championship were played off at Fanling yesterday. The course was hard and the greens were very fast. Dodwell started a strong favourite, but to the great surprise of most he played a very weak game in the morning and was beaten by Syme-Thomson 2 up. Both players lost a ball in the first 9 holes, and on the 12th green Syme-Thomson was 5 up and 8 to play. Dodwell at this stage showed better form, and won the next 4 holes. He ought to have won the 17th comfortably, as he had two strokes in hand, but in trying to reach the green with his brassie he pulled into the rough and only halved in 7. From the last tee he again pulled his shot, and it cost him the hole and match. The other match in the third round resulted in an easy victory for Edwards over Sandford by 5 and 4. In the afternoon Ritchie met Edwards and Syme-Thomson met Leith in the semi-final.

RITCHIE v. EDWARDS.

Both players got well off the first tee and Edwards had a pretty second. Ritchie was also on in two, but played his approach putt much too strongly and failed to get back, losing the hole in 3 to Edwards. At the second Edwards duffed his drive and got a bad lie in the rough; he got well out, however, and was on the edge of the green in 3, but took 6 to get down. Ritchie was well on in 2 and should have holed out in four, but again his approach putt was strong and he took 5. At the third Ritchie pitched on the green, but ran over the bank into rough country, from which he failed to extricate his ball. Edwards won with a good 3. Both players drove off well from the fourth tee, and their second shots were lying side by side at the right of the green. Edwards approached much too strongly, but a very fine approach putt enabled him to halve the hole in 5. Edwards pulled his drive at the next hole and was over the green with his 3rd. Ritchie with a good 4 won the hole, and the match was thus all over again. At the sixth Edwards was again in trouble from a poor drive, and by missing a putt made Ritchie a present of the hole. Ritchie put his tee shot nicely on at the next hole and won in 34, being thus 2 up. Edwards ought to have won both the 8th and 9th, but missed short putts and both were halved—the eighth in 5 and the ninth in 6. At the ninth he played a very fine second shot and was nearly in line with the green on the right, but could not get down in less than 6. Ritchie was thus lucky to be 2 up at the time. At the tenth Ritchie improved his lead with a nice 4 to his opponent's 5. At the eleventh both players duffed their second shots, and Ritchie had a bad lie hard against a sloping bank from which he did not get well away. He recovered, however, with a splendid 4th and luck came to his rescue also, as Edwards' putt hit the hole and came out again, giving him only a half. Ritchie was on the green at the short 12th, while his opponent was just above. Ritchie's putting was weak and the hole was halved in 4. Edwards gave up the thirteenth, as he pulled his drive, and in getting out, went too far to the right into further trouble. Ritchie was thus 4 up and 5 to play. Edwards won the next two holes, and the game looked very interesting with Ritchie in the comfortable position of 2 up and 3 to play. At the 16th Edwards did not get his drive away, while his opponent had a perfect tee shot from which, however, he was most unfortunate to get a hanging lie. Nevertheless, Ritchie recovered beautifully and looked like winning the hole and match, when Edwards stymied him and the hole was halved in 6, making Ritchie downy 2. At the seventeenth Edwards laid another symie, but Ritchie had 2 for a half and the match, thus winning by 2 up and 1 to play.

THE WAR.

BATTLE OF CHEMIN-DES-DAMES.

ENEMY YIELDS CREST HELD FOR SIX MONTHS.

GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF ITALIAN RETREAT.

NAVAL EXPLOIT IN THE KATTEGAT GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER SUNK.

Franco-Belgian Front.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BRITISH FRONT.

ADVANCE POST LOST AND RECOVERED.

LONDON, November 4th.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We repulsed this morning, after sharp fighting, attacks southward and westward of Pessendaele, in which the enemy captured an advanced post in the neighbourhood of the Ypres-Roulers railway.

We retook the post in the afternoon. We repulsed a bombing attack eastward of Gouzevaucourt.

There was considerable activity by the enemy's artillery northward of Ypres. The weather interfered with flying.

EARLIER CABLES.

A DARING PILOT.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—Hostile artillery was more active in the neighbourhood of the Ypres-Staden railway.

Our artillery activity on the battle-front has continued.

A pilot flew through clouds at a height of only 200 feet and dropped two heavy bombs on the Gontrode aerodrome on Thursday. A drizzle and heavy anti-aircraft fire prevented observation of the results being taken.

ENEMY ARTILLERY ACTIVE.

LONDON.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We took a few German prisoners during a patrol encounter west of La Bassée.

There was great hostile artillery during the night east of Ypres.

AMERICAN TROOPS CAPTURED.

LONDON, November 3rd.

A German official message states:—While reconnoitring on the Rhine-Marne Canal, we captured some North Americans.

DESTRUCTION OF LIEGE WORK SHOPS.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Reuter's Agency is informed that the Germans are feverishly finishing the destruction of the workshops in the Liege district.

Special attention is being paid to the well-known (Beckwith) blast furnaces, and works.

LATEST CABLES.

FRENCH FRONT.

END OF A SIX MONTHS' BATTLE.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing on the 3rd inst., states that the German retreat from Chemin-des-Dames marks the end of one of the great battles of the war. The battle began on April 19th, when the French had reached the crest overlooking the former German position down to the banks of the Aisne and the enemy communications in the Ailette Valley, and it ended yesterday after six months of almost continuous fighting. It lasted longer and cost more lives than the Battle of Verdun.

In the first three months of the battle, when fighting most persistent, the enemy divisions were relieved at a quicker rate than during the corresponding months of the Battle of Verdun. No German division that was sent away from the battle was ever called to re-

turn. The Germans will, of course, say that they abandoned the ground voluntarily in order to husband their men. The truth is that, since October 23rd, when the Zouaves stormed Malmaison Fort, the Germans lost and abandoned twenty miles of the Hindenburg Line. To retain this sector of the front, stretching from Laffaux to Craonne, the Germans provoked over twenty battles, and almost as many times they accepted battle forced upon them by the French.

They engaged in scores of minor operations, and suffered casualties to be numbered by the hundred thousand. As a result of their efforts they bit by bit won back the greater part of the crest line, and had every intention of establishing themselves comfortably on it for the winter.

The French command viewed the situation with calm, and has since been methodically preparing to reverse the position at one blow instead of wasting men by innumerable minor attacks. When the blow fell at dawn on October 23rd, perhaps two-thirds of the crest line was in German hands. By the evening of that day four of their best Divisions were put out of action. Excepting at Les Boynes, they were everywhere driven from the plateau. With the fall of Les Boynes went their last foothold on the crest. Yesterday they gave up the lines they held under the crest on the northern slope, which were taken in the rear from the new French positions in the valley, and their right dropped back noiselessly to the other side of the Aisne.

FRENCH ORGANISING NEW GROUND.

PARIS, November 4th.

A communiqué states:—The French are organising the new ground on the Ailette front.

There was an artillery duel in various sectors of Chemin-des-Dames.

In the battle of La Malmaison the French airmen felled 16 German machines, engaged in 611 air-fights, and 50 German machines crashed down in their own lines.

EARLIER CABLES.

LARGE CAPTURES OF GUNS.

PARIS, November 3rd.

A communiqué states:—During the night, we continued to advance between the Oise Canal and the region of Corvany and reached the southern bank of the Ailette.

Along the entire front, the enemy fell back on the northern front, the bridges and passages to which have been cut.

The artillery struggle continued to be lively in the sector at Chavignon at some points in the region of the plateaux.

Among the material captured since October 23rd, we have already counted 200 heavy and field guns, 22 trench guns and 720 machine-guns.

On the right of the Meuse there were violent artillery actions.

On the Chaumes Wood Front, between October 21st and 31st, 21 enemy aeroplanes were brought down by pilots and two by anti-aircraft guns, and 28 enemy machines were seriously damaged and brought down in their own lines.

ENEMY OFFENSIVE OUT OF THE QUESTION.

PARIS, November 3rd.

It is semi-officially announced that the enemy's evacuation of Chemin-des-Dames means that they have abandoned the heights from which they had a view of the French back lines and have taken up positions in the marshy region of the Ailette, which the French dominate. Moreover, any serious enemy attempt at an offensive on the Aisne Front in the future will be out of the question, while the defence of our position in this region has become easier and will require very few men.

Italian Front.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

ITALIAN FRONT.

ITALIAN CAVALRY'S SELF-SACRIFICE.

LONDON, November 4th.

Reuter's Correspondent at Italian Headquarters reports:—The successful retirement of the Italians across the Tagliamento is entirely due to the self-sacrifice of the Cavalry, whose splendid manoeuvring in great masses and reckless gallantry against machine-gun firing remain one of the most brilliant features of the war. Their constant dashing dashes under fire screened the march of the main body of the army, enabling it to occupy a prearranged position which it is now busy fortifying. There were charges by squadrons and whole brigades, executed with admirable precision and at the highest speed, which the machine-guns failed to arrest. Some regiments were practically annihilated, but not in vain, as their sacrifice protected the road along which the third army marched to safety.

EARLIER CABLES.

HEAVIER ENEMY PRESSURE.

LONDON, November 3rd.

An Italian official message states:—The enemy pressure is heavier on the left wing of the Tagliamento line. We detained attempts to reach the right bank of the river.

THE ITALIAN LOSSES.

A German official message states:—Our Italian prisoners are now 200,000 and the captured guns total 1,500.

THE ENEMY UNLIKELY TO CROSS THE TAGLIAMENTO.

A telegram from Rome states that it is now likely that the Austro-Germans will attempt to cross the Tagliamento, where they are confronted by the bulk of the Italian Army burning to assume the offensive in co-operation with the Allies. It is surmised that the enemy may fortify the occupied area.

FORMIDABLE BATTLES MUST BE FOUGHT.

ROME, November 3rd.

The necessity to speak plainly, almost brutally, of the Italian situation is everywhere emphasised.

The plan of the enemy must fail, but it is a dangerous illusion to think that it has already failed. Formidable battles must be fought.

The Italian plans of reconquest will be slow, and great patience and military endurance are essential, and, if necessary, the Italians must retreat further.

PATRIOTIC FERVOUR OF POPULACE.

The Daily Telegraph's Milan Correspondent, describing the patriotic stirring up of the people as the extent of the disaster becomes known, mentions that the troops are cheered as they pass.

UNITY ON THE FRONT.

The presence of British and French troops on the Italian Front is considered exceptionally important, as length achieving unity on the front on an unbroken line from the North Sea to the Adriatic Sea, depriving the Austro-Germans of the advantage of attacking the allies separately.

ITALIANS CONFIDENT BEFORE THE ATTACK.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Mr. MacPherson, Parliamentary Secretary to the War Office, in reply to a question asked by Major Lane, says:—No doubt was expressed by General Cadorna or by the Italian Government to the British General Staff of their ability to meet the attack when they knew was about to be made on them. No request from Italy for help to meet this attack was made before it took place.

THE GREAT ITALIAN RETREAT.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Reuter's Correspondent at Italian Headquarters gives the following graphic picture of the retreat:—

The Staff at Headquarters worked all night on October 30th, packing documents, destroying correspondence and tearing down maps from the walls.

The exodus of the population, which became alarmed at the reports of fugitives of the nearness of the enemy, began the previous day, and people of all classes poured on to the road to Treviso; some in motor cars, others in carts drawn by oxen, donkeys and mules, handcarts pushed by their owners, piled with baggage, women carrying babies and others weeping over their children who had become lost in the confusion. The wounded, aged and sick were carried in the arms of their relations, and it was strange to see occasionally, men and women in evening dress hurrying through the mud, all jammed in among the mass of infantry and artillerymen, plodding wearily amid an interminable procession of lorries, ambulances, tractors and gun carriages.

These often fell in the ditches and had to be dragged out by oxen, or abandoned. A heavy rain came on, adding to the misery of the scene. As the crowd increased, the civilians streamed over the fields on either side, and such was the jam that pedestrians progressed quicker than the motor-cars.

It took the Correspondent and his colleagues six hours to cover six miles, and when they reached Pordenone, they found nothing to eat and nowhere to sleep.

The Correspondent says he was the last to leave Udine, which was evacuated on October 27th, the Austro-Germans having taken Caporetto and Plezzo on the right bank of the northern portion of the Isonzo and were about to cross at Santa Lucia and Santa Maria, south-west of Tolmino.

The Military Headquarters were stripped bare before the departure.

Information from the battle zone told how the Austrians had forced their way through by sheer weight of numbers. The Italians were outnumbered in men by 20 to 1, and in guns by 10 to 1.

General Gonza, who was wounded in eleven places, reached Udine, and all the staff were casualties. Only three of his escort of 50 were alive.

The Bersaglieri fought most stubbornly without an idea of surrender. Of three regiments only one officer was alive and he was wounded.

ONE MILLION MEN IN THE RETREAT.

Mr. Ward Price, a Press Correspondent, telegraphing from Italian Headquarters, says confusion was inevitable in the retreat of a million men from positions they have held for over two years, on a front of 40 miles, down the steep twisting roads, across several rivers to the Tagliamento, where there are only three bridges, on which a vast mass of men and material had to converge.

The General Staff had reckoned that it would require a month to withdraw the Army under normal conditions, and they had to do it in three days.

The principal Italian line of defence, on the Isonzo, was the so-called Plec line, and it was the breaking of this line, owing to the want of resistance, which is still not explained, that enabled the enemy to capture the whole valley between Plezzo and Tolmino, to cut off and surround Monte Nero and other mountain positions, and secure a series of easy roads leading to the plain.

Had General Cadorna delayed for an hour in ordering the retreat of the Third Army from the Carso, on the collapse of the Second Army, the Third Army would have been captured.

It was eleven o'clock at night when the majority of the Third Army left the trenches, and with such good heart that, failing transport, the men hauled the guns by ropes for 20 miles, to the Tagliamento.

Some heavy guns had to be abandoned, but they were first destroyed.

Naval Activities.

EARLIER CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT IN THE KATTEGAT.

GERMAN AUXILIARY CRUISER SUNK.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The Admiralty announces:—Our Naval Forces operating in the Kattegat have apparently been engaged with enemy forces, probably patrols. The official information only intimates that certain of our vessels have been detached to bring in prisoners and are nearing their base.

The Admiralty announces:—Our Forces, operating in the Kattegat, destroyed an auxiliary cruiser armed with six-inch guns, and also ten armed patrols.

Sixty-four persons were rescued and made prisoners.

We did not suffer any casualties.

ANOTHER ENEMY VESSEL DESTROYED.

The Admiralty further announces that an electrically-controlled high-speed boat attacked our patrols on the Belgian coast to-day.

The attack was defeated and the boat destroyed.

ENEMY WOUNDED ARRIVE AT COPENHAGEN.

COPENHAGEN, November 3rd.

A steamer has arrived with wounded on board from a German auxiliary cruiser, which was sunk in the North Sea.

A SHORT FIGHT.

LATER.

It is stated that the auxiliary cruiser destroyed the Maria of the port of Flensburg. She was a ship of 4,000 tons and had a crew of 81. The fight lasted only 15 minutes.

LATEST CABLES.

A CREW-LESS BOAT.

LONDON, November 4th.

The German electrically-controlled boat destroyed on the Belgian Coast is suggested to have carried no crew, but was controlled by wireless from the shore or from aircraft.

RAPID FIRING OF BRITISH DESTROYERS.

Telegrams from Copenhagen state the British Squadron was reconnoitring in the Kattegat and flying the British flag when they sighted a flagless flotilla. When signalled to display her flag a German auxiliary replied by firing, simultaneously breaking out the German ensign.

ENEMY COMMANDER RESCUED.

Her commander, who was wounded in the action, was rescued and brought to Copenhagen. He said the shells of the British destroyers were so rapid that the Germans were almost unable to work the guns, and only fired a few shots when the ship was a mass of flames.

Russian Front.

EARLIER CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

RUSSIAN FRONT.

FRATERNISING WITH THE ENEMY.

LONDON, November 3rd.

A Russian official message states:—Our soldiers fraternised with the enemy on the Vishnoff Lake sector.

We successfully carried out a raid to the north of Huziatyn, taking some prisoners.

Equine.

EARLIER CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BRITISH ATTACKING GAZA.

TURKS LOSE THEIR FIRST LINE.

LONDON, November 3rd.

An official despatch from Egypt states:—After a heavy bombardment, we attacked, on Thursday night, the western and south-western defences at Gaza and captured the Turkish first line, on a front of 5,000 yards.

We also captured 296 prisoners and drove off three counter-attacks, inflicting heavy losses.

General.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE NORTH SALFORD BY-ELECTION.

MR. TILLET'S RETURN CREATES SURPRISE.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Mr. Ben Tillett's return is surprising, as the Constituents was much better organised and the views of both as regards the vigorous prosecution of the war were practically identical. Mr. Tillett, however, who was supported by the trade unionists, announced his intention of warring against the profiteers, and urged a further increase of pay to soldiers and sailors.

Speaking after the poll, Mr. Tillett said that the result showed the country wanted a more strenuous parliamentary representation to give confidence to the Army and Navy.

The Sinn Féin Movement.

WILD RUMOURS CREATE EXCITEMENT.

LONDON, November 4th.

There was much excitement in Dublin yesterday in consequence of wild rumours of drastic measures against Sinn Féin, including the arrest of Devalera. The rumours subsequently were proved baseless.

Devalera, who spoke at Americk on Friday, is still at liberty.

The Sinn Féin Headquarters announced the abandonment of a meeting at Newbridge to-day, which the Authorities proclaimed in the papers, was of a much intriguing nature.

CIVILIANS COURT-MARTIALED.

LONDON, November 3rd.

A Court-Martial at Cork sentenced two civilians to six months imprisonment for wearing military uniforms, another to nine months for the same offence, and for also carrying bayonet, and another to one year for military drilling.

The Commander-in-Chief has remitted parts of the sentences in two cases.

AMERICA AND THE WAR.

BATTLESHIP'S PICKET-BOAT FOUNDERS.

WASHINGTON, November 4th.

A picket-boat from an American battleship foundered in home waters. The crew of twelve are missing and are probably lost.

EARLIER CABLES.

GERMAN CONSPIRATORS HEAVILY SENTENCED.

NEW YORK, November 3rd.

August Friedrich, the leader of the Socialist conspiracy to obstruct the draft for the Army, has been sentenced, at Sioux Falls, to five years' imprisonment and \$1,000 fine. Twenty-six other Germans have been sentenced, from one to two years' imprisonment, in addition to fines.

GERMAN CHANCELLORSHIP.

PEACE MANOEUVRES.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The Times states that Count Hertling's appointment means that Germany is about to redouble her efforts to use the Pope as a tool for peace manoeuvres.

The Times Rome Correspondent says that it is practically certain that a peace offer to Italy is a matter of weeks, if not of days.

FRENCH LOAN ANNOUNCED.

PARIS, November 3rd.

A new loan is announced. It is being issued at 4 per cent. 100 francs, and will bear interest at 4 per cent. The bonds will be exempted from taxation.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE SOUTH-WEST PROVINCES.

SHANGHAI, November 4th.

The President wired Luk Wing-ting on the 2nd inst. asking him to mediate with the South-West again.

Yesterday's Cabinet meeting discussed military matters relating to Kwangtung and Szechuen.

The mandate dismissing Tam Ho-ming, Tachun of Kwangsi, and Niu Yung-kien, General Luk's adviser, has been drafted, but will not be issued until after the Tachun of Kwangsi's successor has been selected.

The Government has wired to the Provinces to catch Chang Ping-lin (Dr. Sun's private secretary).

Lo Yung-hsiang will be appointed commander of the force to chastise Kwangtung.

PARCEL MAILS LOST.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The Post Office announces the loss, through enemy action, of the parcel mails containing, in most cases, about a fortnight's postings, despatched as follows:—

Port.	Date of despatch.
Shanghai	Aug. 28
Hongkong	Aug. 31
Singapore	Sept. 9
Peking	Sept. 13
Cebu	Sept. 22
Batavia	Sept. 15
Calcutta	Sept. 22
Kobe	Sept. 23
Madras	Sept. 25
Bombay	Sept. 27
Aden	Oct. 6
Port Said	Oct. 11

PAINLEVE AND PETAIN VISIT ENGLAND.

LONDON, November 3rd.

The Press Bureau announces that M. Painleve and General Petain have returned to France, after a brief visit to England.

COMPLETE ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT.

PARIS, November 4th.

Complete agreement between the British and French Governments regarding the Italian military situation was reached as a consequence of the conversation between M. Painleve, the French Premier, and Mr. Lloyd George in London.

SPANISH CABINET FORMED.

MADRID, November 3rd.

A new Cabinet has been formed under the Premiership of Senor Garcia Prieto.

POSITION OF RUSSIA.

GOVERNMENT ATTACKING GREAT PROBLEMS.

WASHINGTON, November 3rd.

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AERIAL WARFARE.

LONDON, November 2nd.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—Taking advantage of the change of weather on Wednesday, the enemy's and our aeroplanes were in the air all day. The visibility was not very good, hindering artillery work. Many photographs were taken and much bombing was done by our machines.

Aeroplanes co-operated successfully in the infantry's raid to the north-east of Loos yesterday at noon, firing several thousand machine-gun rounds and bombing troops and communication trenches.

Five tons of bombs were dropped on Roulers, causing fires and explosions, and on many billets. A further two-and-a-half tons were dropped at night on aerodromes in the neighbourhood of Contreuil, an aerodrome at Gontrode and the railway station at Roulers, Thuroit and Courtrai. Two trains were attacked from a low height; one was derailed and the other completely destroyed. The enemy aircraft is more active and more aggressive, attacking our artillery with bombing machines. Seven were brought down and nine of ours are missing. Two of our group of six machines were such successful in a raid on Germany today on the munition works at Kaiser Shuitem. The cloudy weather impeded the accurate dropping of bombs. One group encountered defending scouts and brought down one. All of ours returned.

Improving the British position.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We improved our position to the south and west of Pessendehelle and to the south-east of Poelcapelle, taking prisoners.

The Lincolnshire and Lancashire successfully raided to the east of Vermelles and to the east of Shrewsbury Forest.

There is great activity among hostile artillery to the east of Ypres.

BELGIAN ARTILLERY STRUGGLE.
A Belgian communiqué says:—There is a most violent artillery struggle, especially before Dixmude.

We made several direct hits on enemy batteries and works.

GERMANS EMPLOYING CIVILIANS NEAR THE FRONT.
It is stated from Belgian official sources that the Germans are most active behind the front in Belgium and have brought up a great number of new "pill-boxes" made of thick cast-iron, each capable of holding four men. The number of civilians who are compelled to work near the front is steadily increasing.

FRENCH FRONT.

GERMANS FORCED TO ABANDON CHEMIN-DES-DAMES.

PARIS, November 3rd.
A communiqué states:—The results of our victory at Malmédy have not been slow in showing.

Threatened on his right, pressed by our infantry, and crushed by our artillery, which have incessantly bombarded his organisations south of Ailette from our new positions, the enemy has been compelled to abandon Chemin-des-Dames, to which he has been clinging for the past six months. On a front of twenty kilometres, from Froimont Farm to a point east of Craonne, our troops, descending the northern slopes of Chemin-des-Dames, occupied the German positions to a depth exceeding one kilometre at certain places.

The villages of Courtecon, Cerny-en-Laonnais, Ailles and Chevreux are in our hands.

Patrols, keeping contact with the enemy, reached Ailette, between Braye-en-Laonnais and Cerny.

GERMANS ANNOUNCE WITHDRAWAL.

LONDON, November 2nd.
A German wireless official message states:—Unnoticed and undisturbed we withdrew, last night, our lines from the hilly front of Chemin-des-Dames.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY DUEL.

A communiqué says:—There is a somewhat violent artillery duel north of the Aisne, in the region of Maisons de Champa, and on the right of the Meuse to the north of Bezonvaux.

FRENCH AIR REPRISAL.

A communiqué says:—Three enemy aeroplanes were brought down and seven forced down damaged.

As a reprisal for the bombing of Dunkirk, seventeen of our aeroplanes dropped 2,500 kilograms of explosives on the town of Offenburg, in the Grand Duchy of Baden.

Railway stations, ammunition dumps and an aerodrome were also heavily bombed.

Italian Front.

LATEST CABLES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

ITALIAN FRONT.

BIGGEST BATTLE IN HISTORY IMPENDING.

LONDON, November 2nd.

Reuter's Agency authoritatively learns that the Italian situation, while exceedingly grave, is by no means desperate.

The Italians, who were outnumbered and outgunned, had to fall back on a line at the Tagliamento, and the possibility of having to fall back further should be faced with calmness and confidence. On the contrary, it is evident that the Italians are playing for time. The best brains of the Allies are now focused upon the Italian front.

It is possible that here one of the biggest battles in history may be fought, the Allies now having an opportunity of dealing the Central Powers a crushing blow in the open, the first condition of which being that the Italian Army remains intact.

At present the Italian Armies are unbroken and undaunted.

ITALIANS REPULSE ENEMY PATROLS.

LONDON, November 2nd.
An Italian official message states:—There is reciprocal artillery firing on the Tagliamento.

Machine-gun fire repulsed enemy patrols which advanced to the river bank.

GERMAN CLAIMS.

LONDON, November 2nd.
A German wireless official message states:—Our attacks on the eastern bank of the Tagliamento compelled the Italian brigades still holding out to retire or surrender. The left bank of the river, from the Fella Valley to the Adriatic, is free of the enemy.

THE RETREAT OF THE THIRD ARMY.

LONDON, November 2nd.
The Daily Mail correspondent at Italian Headquarters states that the retreat of the Third Army was a grandiose sight and was marked by lines of fire and smoke. The Italian guns, being withdrawn, were unable to reply to the furious enemy cannonade, but the infantry repeatedly charged, saving the guns. The infantry drove back the enemy five times into Vallone. Artillerymen are also doing splendidly, mounting heavy guns with ropes up the mountain sides across the Isontina.

The German first breakthrough was the outcome of devilish ingenuity. While terrible drumfire, gas and tear shells at Plezzo and San Gabriele gave the impression of a universal bombardment, a certain sector was left unharmed. A dense mist prevented the Italians from noticing the gap in the ring of fire, through which the German Army Corps passed, cutting off the defenders of the adjoining position. The Germans, after two hours, suspended fire and then renewed it at daybreak, and two hours later masses of infantry poured through the mist. They were desperately opposed, especially at Globok Ridge and St. Lucia. The latter is at the entrance of a pass leading to Italy, and it changed hands no less than eight times.

RIVER TAGLIAMENTO MAY PROVE BARRIER.

LONDON, November 2nd.
The latest haul of prisoners taken by the Germans in Italy apparently belongs to the Third Army from the Carso, whose rearguard is believed to have been cut off by a surprisingly rapid march by the Germans from the north, thus isolating masses of troops.

The enemy does not claim to have crossed the Tagliamento.

Experts are of opinion that the river flooded, causing disastrous congestion to men and material at the crossing places. This is the crucial question, and it is still not clear whether General Cadorna has safely withdrawn the main body of his armies behind the river barrier.

THE BALANCE OF POWER.

The Times military correspondent admits that losses such as those claimed by the Germans will entirely change the balance of power on the Italian front. He says that measures have been taken which should almost immediately acquaint the War Cabinet with the exact situation of General Cadorna's armies, and upon this evidence grave decisions must be taken without delay, for it will involve reinforcements equalling those captured.

The Morning Post's expert says that the country behind the Tagliamento has disadvantages as a site for a decisive battle, being intersected with parallel streams which impede the supply and retreat, and is exposed to turning movements based on the Pontebba and Plecken Passes.

Egypt
(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

CAMPAIGN IN PALESTINE

A SEVERE LOSS TO THE TURKS.

LONDON, November 2nd.
Beersheba is a severe loss to the Turks, as it was the main base for attempts to invade Egypt through Sinai. Its capture ends the stalemate position on the front of Gaza and forestalls the German designs in Palestine.

An important development is shortly probable. An Egyptian official message states:—We hold the position to the north of Beersheba.

We successfully raided a portion of the front, killing a large number of the enemy.

General.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

REVIEW OF THE NAVAL SITUATION.

LONDON, November 2nd.

The following is the continuation of the speech delivered by Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the Admiralty, which appeared in our issue of Saturday:—

THE DIFFICULTIES OF THE BALTIC.

The Germans then seized the islands of Oesel, Dago and Moon. It should be remembered in connection with these operations that the southern side of the Gulf of Riga and Courland was in German occupation all the time. The conditions at the entrance to the Baltic Sea were somewhat similar to those of the Gulf of Riga, but the islands commanding the entrance to the Baltic belonged to a neutral Power, Denmark. It would be madness for the British Fleet to pass into the Baltic with the certainty that the Germans would occupy and fortify these islands in their rear. The German objective was clearly, first, to command the Gulf of Riga in order to gain facilities for an attack on Revel and an advance towards Petrograd; and, also, to be in a position to command the entrance to the Gulf of Finland. Our main objective in the Baltic would be the destruction of the German Fleet participating in these operations; but, if we did pass into the Baltic, we would find the German Fleet there on our arrival. It must be remembered that the operation of passing through would occupy a considerable time, as there were most extensive minefields to be cleared, and that the leading vessels of a Fleet, debouching from the great belt, which was only possible by a passage in necessarily deep formation on a very narrow front, would find the whole German Fleet deployed and concentrating fire on them. No responsible naval officer supported such an enterprise. He also emphasised the length of the line of communications to be maintained with the Fleet when in the Baltic, and also that, as every supply ship must pass within thirty miles of Kiel, only a small proportion would get through, unless strong forces were detached to protect them. Our Fleet, if it entered the Baltic, would soon wither to impotence with its vital communications cut. Russia could not supply it with fuel, ammunition or stores.

THE NAVY'S DUAL ROLE.

Sir Eric Geddes dealt with the complaint that the Admiralty had been contenting itself with concentration on a defensive rôle instead of adopting bold offensive measures, and pointed out that it was always difficult to count on an unwilling enemy to come out into the open and fight against a stronger naval Power. The rôle of the British Navy to-day was both offensive and defensive.

We defend trade routes, and the decrease in losses due to submarineism is brought about partly by offensive measures against the submarines, which are yielding increasing results, and largely by defensive measures, causing a great strain upon the light-forces of the Navy, but giving, at present, considerable success. In September, ninety per cent. of the total number of vessels sailing in all the Atlantic trade routes were conveyed, and since the convoy system had been started the total loss was five per thousand.

AMERICAN NAVY'S ASSISTANCE.

Sir Eric Geddes acknowledged the American Navy's valuable assistance, which was gradually extending. While the German Fleet was sheltering behind powerful land defences, the British Fleet kept the sea, not relying on any shore defences, but solely on its own strength. During a recent month, the Fleet steamed a million ship miles in Home waters.

Referring to naval activities farther afield, Sir Eric Geddes mentioned that during a recent month blockading squadrons had performed in the North Atlantic and the Arctic Ocean the almost incredible feat of intercepting and examining every single merchantman trading with neutral countries.

THE STRENGTH OF THE NAVY.

The displacement tonnage of the Navy in 1914 was 2,400,000 tons, but to-day it was 71 per cent. greater. At the outbreak of the war there were eighteen vessels employed in mine-sweeping and auxiliary patrols, but to-day the number was 3,300. The personnel of the Fleet before the war was 140,000, but to-day it was 380,000. That included the Naval Air Service, which had increased from 700 to 41,000.

THE TERROR OF ENEMY SUBMARINES.

He paid a tribute to the Air Services, which were the terror of the enemy submarines, and stated that during one month the aircraft patrol round the British coast alone exceeded a distance of five times round the earth. The Air Service men had dropped 85 tons of explosives in the course of sixty-four raids during September behind the enemy lines in France. He emphasised the bravery of the mine-sweepers, who were not only laying mines by night, but sweeping the enemy minefields to enable the submarines to pass through. He strongly deprecated the unfair criticism of distinguished naval officers.

ENEMY SHIPS IN CHINA PORTS.

LONDON, November 2nd.
The Times correspondent at Peking states that China has agreed to charter nine confiscated enemy ships, of a total tonnage of 29,904, to proceed to Great Britain.

RUSSIA WAR-WEARY?

STARTLING ADMISSION BY M. KERENSKY.

NEW YORK, November 2nd.

A message from Petrograd states that M. Kerensky has told a representative of the Associated Press that Russia is worn out, and that it is her right now to ask the other Allies to shoulder the burden of the war.

UNITED STATES DEPLORES INTERPRETATIONS.

WASHINGTON, November 2nd.
Mr. Lansing has authorised the statement that neither on the basis of the Government's official advice nor M. Kerensky's cable statement could it be said that Russia was about to quit the war, and that the Government deplores any interpretations to that effect.

UNITED STATES' TANGIBLE FAITH IN RUSSIA.

That the United States had faith in Russia has just received a fresh expression in the authorisation of a further loan of 31,000,000 dollars for immediate use.

MAXIMALIST DEMONSTRATIONS FEARED.

PETROGRAD, November 2nd.
A recurrence of armed Maximalist demonstrations is feared on November 14th, with the object of seizing supreme power. Indications exist that the movement is only supported by extremists and that the Government will succeed in coping with the threatened outbreak.

ALLIED REPRESENTATIVES OVATED.

In the Preliminary Parliament, on a debate on foreign policy, M. Althoff criticised the circumstances whereby M. Skoleff's instructions as regards peace proposals at the Paris Conference would be antagonistic to Russia's official foreign policy. Therefore, it was not surprising that the Allies did not understand why M. Skoleff should meet them. The spirit of the instructions was anti-Russian.

At the conclusion of the speech the whole of the left parties stood up and gave an ovation to the Allied representatives in the diplomatic gallery.

STATE TEA MONOPOLY.

M. Bernatek, Minister of Finance, has prepared a bill establishing a State monopoly of tea, which is expected to yield a revenue of 400,000,000 roubles a year.

AFFAIRS IN ITALY. WAVE OF PATRIOTISM.

PARIS, November 2nd.
The newspapers describe the wave of patriotism that is sweeping over Italy. Discussions have disappeared as if by magic.

The Journal states that the Germans have already lost the battle politically, while militarily they have only won the first stage.

SOCIALISTS' STIRRING APPEAL.

MILAN, November 2nd.
The Socialist Municipal Council has issued a stirring appeal to the population to be calm and to show the enemy that he is mistaken in his calculation to disunite and discourage the people.

VENEZUELOS ARRIVES IN ITALY.

ROME, November 2nd.
M. Venezelos has arrived.

ITALIAN MURDERER ARRESTED.

The alleged murderer of Signor Ballori, a prominent Freemason, who was shot yesterday at the Masonic Headquarters, has been arrested.

HEROES OF SEA AND AIR. REMARKABLE STORIES OF BRAVERY.

LONDON, November 2nd.
The Gazette announces the award of the Victoria Cross to the late Skipper T. Crisp, of the Naval Reserve, of the smack Nelson, and the Distinguished Conduct Medal to his son. The skipper, while on an August afternoon when trawling on an August afternoon when it sighted a German submarine which immediately began shelling the smack, the latter returning the fire. The submarine's fourth shot struck the smack below the waterline and the seventh shot mortally wounded the skipper, whose son immediately took charge of the tiller. The firing continued, but meanwhile the water was pouring into the smack, which was sinking. The gunlayer went to assist the skipper, who said: "It's all right, boys; do your best, and I am done; throw me overboard." He was in too bad a condition to be moved, and they left him on the deck and took to the small boat. A quarter of an hour afterwards, the Nelson went down, bow first, carrying the heroic skipper with her. The crew rowed for two nights and a day before being rescued.

Honours are also given for services in action with enemy submarines. Among the recipients of the Victoria Cross are Lieut. Charles George Bonner and Petty Officer Ernest Pitcher. The latter was selected by the gun crew of a warship to receive the honour.

A second bar to the Distinguished Service Order is given to Captain Gordon Campbell, who has already been awarded the Victoria Cross. No details of the deed of valour for which Captain Campbell was awarded the Victoria Cross and other honours have ever been published.

Remarkable stories of air fighting are told regarding a number of Naval aviators, who are the recipients of the Distinguished Service Order. The most striking of these stories is the record of Acting Flight Lieutenant Richard Minifie, whose achievements are thus recorded:—On April 22nd, destroyed two enemy scouts; August 25th, brought down an Albatross Scout on fire; September 16th, destroyed an Albatross Scout; September 18th,

crashed into an Albatross Scout, and also drove down numerous enemy machines uncontrolled; on July 3rd, attacked parties of troops on the road from a height of 200 feet; August 19th, attacked two enemy aerodromes, firing 150 rounds at the hangar from a height of 400 feet; September 20th, did excellent work in detecting and scattering troops massing for counter-attacks, flying very low.

BULGARIAN GOVERNMENT'S NARROW MAJORITY.

AMSTERDAM, November 2nd.
The Bulgarian Government had a narrow majority in the Sobranie, receiving only 121 votes against 110 for the Opposition, which was not satisfied with the statement of the Premier on the food question.

AMERICA WILL STAKE ALL.

LONDON, November 2nd.
The Freedom of the City of Edinburgh has been conferred on Dr. Page, the American Ambassador.

The distinguished diplomat said that America would stake all to the end to the last man and to the last dollar. They were faced with the fact, and they might as well recognise it, that upon the English-speaking people depended hereafter the safety of the world.

THE FLOODS IN DURBAN.

DURBAN, November 2nd.
The Umgeni River has considerably subsided, leaving a vast, featureless plain. The police are still recovering bodies.

A resumption of partial railway service has been attempted. Considerable damage is reported from other parts of Natal.

Communications are interrupted. Bridges have been swept away and large quantities of stock have been drowned.

AUSTRALIA AND THE WAR. THE QUESTION OF CONSUMPTION.

MELBOURNE, November 2nd.
There are now sixty thousand Commonwealth War Pensioners drawing a total of £2,340,000 annually.

Committees are being formed in hundreds of centres to organise public meetings in favour of Conscription.

Mr. Cook stated that the Federal Council was watching the military situation with the gravest attention.

RECORD QUEENSLAND SUGAR CROP.

BRISBANE, November 2nd.
This season the sugar crop is probably a record. It is expected that there will be a surplus of 100,000 tons.

THE CHANCELLORSHIP OF GERMANY. NOMINEE CONFERS WITH KAISER.

AMSTERDAM, November 2nd.
Count Hertling had an audience with the Kaiser yesterday afternoon, when it is believed in Berlin, his appointment as Imperial Chancellor was finally decided upon.

COUNT HERTLING ACCEPTS MAJORITY'S DEMANDS.

The Vossische Zeitung says that Count Hertling has accepted the demands of the Reichstag majority to carry out the Prussian Electoral Reform and abolish or mitigate the Political Censorship, and to conduct the foreign policy on the basis of the reply to the Pope's Note.

APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED.

LONDON, November 2nd.
Berlin now officially confirms the resignation of Dr. Michaelis, and the appointment of Count Hertling as Chancellor.

IMPORTANT RESIGNATIONS.

It is reported that Herr Helfferich, Vice-Chancellor, and Herr Wulffow, Food Dictator, have resigned.

VON CAPELLE REMAINS. ADMIRAL VON CAPELLE REMAINS IN OFFICE.

BYE-ELECTION.

LONDON, November 3rd.
In the bye-election at North Salford, Mr. Ben Tillett (Independent) was elected by 2,892 votes to 1,545 polled by Sir Charles Mallet (Coalition).

APPOINTMENT TO ARMY COUNCIL.

LONDON, November 3rd.
Major-General Salmond has been appointed a member of the Army Council.

SPAIN'S POLITICS. POSITION EASIER.

MADRID, November 2nd.
The announcement that Señor Maurya is forming a Cabinet aroused a storm among Republicans and Radicals, whose newspapers had declared that the country was confronted with a Germano-Maurist plot and had forecasted a general strike as a protest.

SEÑOR MAURA ABANDONS TASK.

Señor Maurya yesterday afternoon abandoned the task, failing to secure the support of any party.

THE SILVER MARKET. POSITION EASIER.

LONDON, November 1st.
Messrs. Samuel, Montagu & Co., in their silver report, state that the rise of threepence on October 30th was a record movement for one day. The immediate cause of the rise was the scarcity of supplies on a firm market and the absence of any supplies speculatively held.

The strength of Shanghai exchange, owing to native influences, assisted indirectly. A reaction has now set in and the market is sagging.

LONDON, November 1st.
Silver is quoted at 45s. China is profit-taking, and there are increased American offers. The market is easier.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

Hongkong Observatory, November 4th

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 1 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.91	30.01	29.99
Temperature ...	80	71	82
Humidity ...	74	78	83
Wind Direction ...	East	NNE	WSW
Force ...	3	5	2
Weather ...	o	b	b
Rain ...	o	—	—

Highest open-air Temperature on 3rd 80

Lowest open-air Temperature on 4th 71

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From 5th to 10th November.

Day of Week	Day of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		H'kong Mean Time.	Height.	H'kong Mean Time.	Height.
Mon.	5	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	6	No info.	high	nor low	water
Wed.	7	No info.	high	nor low	water
Thurs.	8	No info.	high	nor low	water
Fri.	9	8 30	5 4	10 48	2 7
Satur.	10	8 48	5 7	11 33	2 7
Sun.	11	8 48	5 5	1 13	3
		7 15	6 4	0 45	2

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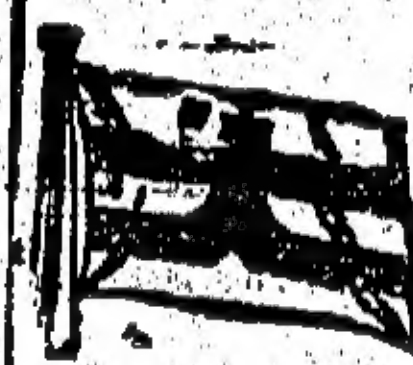
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